



BATEMANS BAY ORCHID & FOLIAGE SOCIETY INC.

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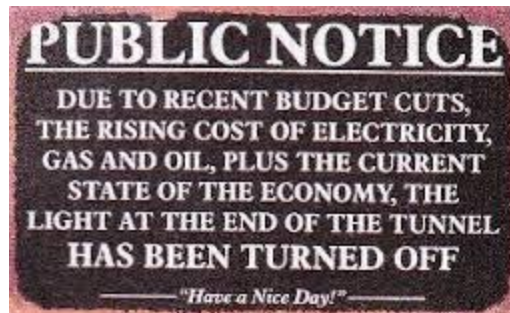


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MAY 2014 NEWSLETTER

Next Club Meeting 7.30pm Monday 5th May 2014

Welcome to the Club New Members



From the President

Thanks to all members that attended our April meeting with our guest speaker Bonnie Pallister talking on floral table arrangements, the floral arrangement that Bonnie made Leanda gave to Sylvia while she was in hospital.

Our Club Auction is on in May our next meeting, we do require things to auction off, and money raised goes towards your Orchid Club.

Thanks once again Mitch, for his talk on what happening in your Orchid house this time of the year.

Our best wishes to Sylvia & Ron with their recover from surgery.

Also do not forget our get- together at the Batemans Bay Botanical Gardens on the 3rd Thursday at 2pm of the month, bring your friends.

Do not forget the For Sale – Wanted section in your newsletter, Also Grumpy's Shed.

SICK PARADE

A large GET WELL soon to our Members who are sick, under the weather or are in Hospital.

I'm sure that all the members of the Club hope
Sylvia Hawkins and Ron Boyd
Have a speedy recovery



What hair colour do they put on the driver's licenses of bald men?

I thought about how mothers feed their babies with tiny little spoons and forks, so I wondered what do Chinese mothers use, Toothpicks.

Why do they put pictures of criminals up in the Post Office? What are we supposed to do, write to them? Why don't they just put their pictures on the postage stamps so the mailmen can look for them while they deliver the mail?

Is it true that you never really learn to swear until you learn to drive?

If a cow laughed, would milk come out of her nose?

Wanted, Buy, Swap & Sell

Anybody wanting to buy swap or sell? Give a call to Dorothy on 44740884.

WANTED	BUY
SWAP	FOR SALE Gal Fencing approx. 26m in length and 1.5m high. Robert Fish 44 713 678

Minutes of Batemans Bay Orchid & Foliage Soc. Monday 7th April Club meeting 2014

President Robert Fish opened meeting at 7.30pm

Apologies; Sylvia Hawkins, Brian Coulton, Tony Groube & Liz Cleaver, Ann-Marie Collins, Norm Kemp, Alan Bird.

Secretary's report, March Club meetings minutes have been circulated, Secretary Ron Boyd moved they be accepted, 2nd Dorothy Kauffman

Incoming and Outgoing correspondence read out, moved they be accepted Ron Boyd, 2nd Jill Bailey.

Treasurer Report! Treasurer Margaret Turner read out the report and copies of statement were available for members. Treasurer Margaret Turner moved they be accepted, 2nd, Leanda O'Connor

GENERAL Business

Item 1; President Robert Fish spoke on the recent accident of Sylvia Hawkins and Sylvia now recovering in Batemans Bay Hospital.

Item 2: President Robert Fish spoke on the change of Bunnings BBQs date from 6th April to Saturday 26th April 2014

Item 3; May club meeting night is our Annual Auction, members asked to bring in all types of goodies and orchids for auction, money going towards clubs Christmas party.

Item 4; President Robert Fish introduced tonight's guest speakers Bonnie Pallister, who gave us a wonderful demonstration on how to make a crescent shaped floral display. Bonnie presented the

floral display to the club members and they voted to send it to Sylvia Hawkins currently in Batemans Bay Hospital.

Item 5; Mitch Karnaghan gave us an update on what should be happening in your 'Orchid House' this month, answered questions from the members!

Coffee Break

Item 6. The volunteers who did the Bunnings BBQ'S, March 15th names are going into a draw for a \$20 Bunnings voucher, this month's winner Margaret Turner.

Item 7: Lucky door prize of \$25 voucher from Batehaven Garden Plus nursery, winner is Jill Bailey.

Item 8: President Robert Fish drew the raffles; winners, Sue Fish, Dorothy Kauffman, Jim Quinlivan, Ted Richards, Mitch Karnaghan, Magda Smyth, Paula Brown, Jim Quinlivan, Robyn Baker, Dorothy Kauffman, Robert Pollock twice, Brian Perkins.

President Robert Fish thanked all for supporting the raffles and those who bought in items to be raffled.

Item 9: Robert Pollock read out the plant of the night results, open winner was Robert Pollock with Tolumnia Mini 'Yellow Pink'

Being no further business, President Robert Fish closes the meeting down at 8.35pm;



Ron Boyd

Secretary 11/4/2014

Overheard at the last meeting

“My memory is gone Mildred, so I changed my password to “Incorrect.” That way when I log in with the wrong password, the computer will tell me...

“Your password is incorrect

Species Orchids 1st Rob Pollock
 2nd Robyn Baker
Cymbidium under 60mm
 Leanda O'Connor
Aust Native Orchid Mitch Karnaghan
Cattleya Rob Pollock
Oncidiinae Alliance 1st Rob Pollock
 2nd Robin Baker
Misc. Alliance 1st Leanda O'Connor
 2nd Rob Pollock
Ferns 1st Rob Pollock
 2nd Rob Pollock
Foliage 1st Rob Pollock
 2nd Rob Pollock

PLANT OF THE NIGHT
ROB POLLOCK
TOLUMNIA MINI "YELLOW PINK"



Growing Comp

DENDROBIUM. ELLEN.

1st Rob & Sue Fish
 2nd Robyn Baker

SARC.

1st Rob & Sue Fish
 2nd Robyn Baker



Floral Arrangement by
 Guest speaker

Bonnie Pallister

The club has sent this floral arrangement
 to Sylvia Hawkins who is in Batemans
 Bay Hospital



GRUMPY'S shed.

Your Clubs Store of discounted Orchid Supplies

ALL profits are returned to the Orchid Club

From Bark to pots all at club members special prices



Run by Dorothy at her home in Mogo. All are welcome to come and look at what is available to buy. Please give Dorothy a ring on 44740884 or email dkauffman7@bigpond.com

Growing tips from the Orchid Society of N.S.W. Website

Cattleya Alliance

General Culture

Members of this ALLIANCE can be grown in plastic pots, clay pots, and wooden baskets or attached to some kind of slab. Ideal annual temperature range is 7°C to 32°C, a 10°C drop between day and night temperatures is beneficial. Cattleya Alliance requires conditions of good light and humidity, with plenty of water during growth. Some shade will be needed in summer to avoid leaf burn. When pseudo bulbs are fully formed, less water should be given.

Light

Cattleya Alliance members grow best in medium light intensity. If possible morning sun up until noon can be given. Unless protected, during the hottest part of the day, the flattened leaves will burn in full sun. Lime green coloured foliage is an indication of proper light. Dark green foliage, while very attractive, is not conducive to the plant reaching their full blooming potential. Yellow coloured foliage indicates too much light.

Water

Cattleya Alliance enjoys frequent watering, during their growing period, but will not tolerate wet feet for extended periods. The frequency of watering is relative to the container, the temperature, air circulation, and the amount of water retained in medium in the container. Watering should be done, so the roots are approaching dryness, before re watering. In the warmer periods, several watering's a week can be done, without worry, if the roots can dry quickly.

Fertilizer

Cattleya Alliance plants should be fed consistently, when in full growth. During the Spring through early Autumn, fertilizing every seven days, with several clear watering's in between, will make your Cattleya Alliance plants happy. In the late Autumn through Winter, a light feeding once a month will suffice.

Potting

Cattleya Alliance do not resent being disturbed, so re potting should be undertaken whenever necessary. The best time is after all flowering has ceased. To minimize root damage, a warm water soak for 10 minutes, will make most roots very pliable and easier to remove from the container.

The best potting container for Cattleya Alliance plants is clay orchid pots. The plastic pots are second choice and considerable cheaper. Water in plastic pots does not evaporate as fast as in clay pots, but if adjustments in watering frequency are made no problems will be encountered.

The potting medium must be well-drained, i.e. coarse bark, lava rock, river rocks, pieces of broken pottery, chunks of tree fern, hardwood charcoal, etc. so that the roots can be wet, but then dry quickly.

When dividing Cattleya Alliance plants, always divide into parts with four pseudo bulbs. Remove any dead roots from the divisions, and then lay the divisions aside until new root growth begins. At that time, usually a week or so, re pot the divisions in their new pots. Now the plants can be watered and fertilized as usual, without worrying about rotting them, because they retained no roots in the division. Newly repotted plants should be placed in slightly lower light for several weeks.

Tips

When you purchase a new plant, always place it where you can watch it for a couple of weeks until it is acclimated to your area. Initially, water the plant thoroughly and place it in a bright location with good humidity.

Examine your plants on a regular basis. Always remove the dried sheathing from pseudo bulbs to prevent build-up of moisture, and as a hiding place for insects. In nature, the breeze removes the sheath. In captivity, you must remove the sheath. The removal of the sheath also provides more surfaces for photosynthesis activity. Insects, particularly scale insects, find Cattleya Alliance plants attractive. Also slugs and snails will dine on these plants. Following the label recommendations on your favourite insecticide will usually solve any insect problem. Bud sheaths often collect water inside causing the new buds to rot. Cutting the top off the sheath will eliminate this problem. On occasion, a sheath will form without a bud ever forming. On the other hand some, because of their mixed up genetics, will form a sheath, then many months later form the flower buds



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Our May Birthday members



Jill Bailey

*Picture from our get-together on the 17th April at the
Batemans Bay Botanical Gardens*

*Those members being congratulated on their BirthDay were
Tony Groube, Michael Brown, Sue Casey
John Stubbs*



*ANOTHER GREAT DAY OUT.
WHERE WERE YOU?*

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Bunnings of Batemans Bay

Sponsoring our Club through its BBQs

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Elizabeth Richardson sponsoring

The cost of printing our Club's Newsletter.

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5/35 Cranbrook Road Batemans Bay NSW sponsors of our BBQ Sausages for Bunnings BBQ

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